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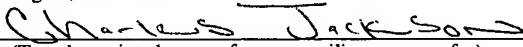
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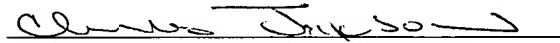
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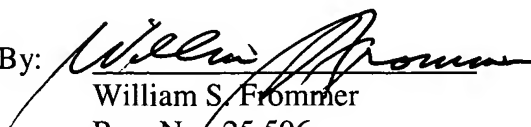
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119, this application is entitled to a claim of priority to Japanese Application Nos. P2000-241062, filed 9 August 2000, P2000-251969, filed 23 August 2000, and P2000-346675, filed 14 November 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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